

BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

News Release

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SUBJECT: Reward Offered in Hokie Bird Theft

A \$1000.00 cash reward has been offered in response to the theft of a Hokie Bird statue from Main Street in Blacksburg Wednesday Night.

Blacksburg Police are investigating the theft. The statue, painted to resemble a businessman had been purchased by First National Bank and was displayed in the 600 block of North Main Street at the entrance to FNB. It was removed from its base between 6:30 Wednesday night and 7:00 Thursday morning. The value of the statue is \$7,500.00 and the theft is a Felony.

Blacksburg Partnership has informed the Town that they will offer the cash reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the crime.